## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE BEFORE THE BOARD OF PATENT APPEALS AND INTERFERENCES

In re the Application of: YAMAMOTO Teiji et al.

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## NOTICE OF APPEAL

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Date: February 10, 2005

Sir:

Applicants hereby appeal to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences from the decision dated August 11, 2004 of the Primary Examiner.

The item(s) checked below are appropriate:

- 1. XX A petition for a three-month extension of time to respond to the Final Rejection was filed on February 10, 2005.
- 2. XX A timely response to the Final Rejection has been filed, as provided in 37 C.F.R. 1.113.
- 3. XX Fee \$500.00

Enclosed XX

Not required (fee paid in prior appeal)

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In the event this Notice of Appeal is not considered to be timely filed, Applicants hereby petition for an appropriate extension of time. The fee for this extension may be charged to our Deposit Account No. 01-2340, along with any other additional fees which may be required with respect to this Notice.

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